



# Network Unclassified (Net-U)

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# Net-U Background

- Builds on SecureNet “experience” creating a secure virtual private network
- The Energy Science Network (ESnet) provides the transport vehicle
- Supports transport of special categories of unclassified information (OUO, UCNI)

# Reasons For Development

- To facilitate the exchange of special categories of unclassified information
- Meet goal of one pipeline (ESnet) to sites for classified (SecureNet) and unclassified (Net-U) communications
- Low site cost: Cylink SDU encryptor \$5k
- Secure Manager Station and software \$25k





# Secure Manager Station

AlliedSignal FM&T/KC manages network  
Remote security management

Hardware: Sun Ultra 1 (primary and backup)

Software: Sun Solaris 2.6 operating system

Supports protocols (IP, IPX, AppleTalk)

Communicates using SNMP

Y2K Compliant (YES hardware & software)



# Secure Manager Functions

Authenticates each SDU

Configures each SDU

Defines security policy - rules and IP address

Monitors SDU



# Secure Domain Unit

NIST approved DES (56 bit keys)

Diffie-Hellman public key management

FIPS 140-1 Certified

Transparent to users and applications





# Net-U Who's Who

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# Net-U Approval Process

- Site ISSM makes request to Local ISOM
- Local ISOM endorses, forwards
- Net-U DAA reviews, forwards
- DOE/HQ makes connection determination

Note: Eleven NWC Sites currently have DOE/HQ determination



# Net-U Approval Process

- Local ISSM notified of determination
- Security Plan Appendix, Test Plan, and MOU developed, tested and signed
- Documents forwarded to Net-U ISSO
- Net-U DAA approves connection



# Accreditation Status

## Approved

- AlliedSignal FM&T/KC
- AlliedSignal FM&T/NM
- LLNL



# GOAL

Full participation in Net-U  
by the end of 1998.



# Net-U AlliedSignal FM&T/KC

## Open DMZ

- No restrictions on traffic to/from hosts
- Sharing unclassified data with clients connected to ESnet

## Closed DMZ

- Restricts inbound/outbound traffic
- Intended for hosts sharing special categories of unclassified information

# For More Information

Net-U information is available at:

<http://www.llnl.gov/sccd/lc/ascii/securenet>

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